

PARIS REPARATIONS CONFERENCE COLLAPSES

OPEN HEARING ON WINNESHIEK DRAINAGE PLAN

Meeting Held Wednesday at Prairie du Chien; Local Men Behind Opposition to Proposed Project

BUREAU OF FISHERIES OPPOSED; W. E. BARBER AGAINST PROJECT

Would Destroy Breeding Place of Wild Life is Contention of Opposition

CONSERVATIONISTS and others interested in seeing the Winneshiek bottoms preserved as they are, put up a gallant fight to achieve their end at the hearing which was opened before the Wisconsin railroad commission at Prairie du Chien Wednesday morning.

Louis Hirschheimer, president of the La Crosse County Rod and Gun Club, and Henry Schurz, secretary of the club, were present to fight for the interests of sportsmen who frequent the bottoms to hunt and fish. D. W. MacWillie of the Wisconsin Pearl Button company testified at the hearing as a representative of the National Association of Pearl Button Manufacturers.

C. E. Cullen, in charge of the United States fish hatchery at Homer and director of fish rescue work on the upper river, and Harry Canfield, mussel propagation expert on the upper river for the bureau of fisheries, represented the fisheries bureau, which is opposed to all drainage projects on the upper river.

Hearing Wednesday

The hearing was opened at 10 o'clock Wednesday morning in the court room of the Crawford county court house by Judge A. H. Long, examiner for the railroad commission. The entire morning was spent in the examination and cross-examination of C. H. Young of Muscatine, Iowa, civil engineer, in charge of the proposed drainage work. Mr. Young explained in detail the method of doing the proposed work. He said that there is a total of 122 square miles in the Winneshiek bottoms district, which lies between the river and the Burlington right of way between De Soto and Luxville, but that when drained there would be remaining 111 square miles of swamp land. Only 21 square miles are to be reclaimed, under the present plans. The tract is 13 miles long, and a mile and a half wide at its widest point.

E. W. Lucas, attorney of Madison, represented the owners of the Crawford County Levee and Drainage District No. 1, as the project is known.

Mr. Young, in answer to a question by W. E. Barber, chairman of the state conservation commission, who was at the hearing to protest against the drainage project, said that by draining the bottoms the river would be made more navigable. He further said that according to the report of the agricultural department, the soil in the bottoms is suitable for farming.

Mr. Barber's objection to the draining of the bottoms was based on the fact that such an undertaking would destroy the breeding place and habitat of countless wild fowl, fur bearing animals and fish. "If left in its natural state it will bring more money to its owners as a fur farm than it will in cultivated land," said Mr. Barber.

Mr. Young, the engineer, stated that more game would be raised if the

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Many Die In Flood As Bridge Collapses

KELSO, Wash.—By The Associated Press.—Names of eight missing persons were known while estimates of the number of the lost ran as high as thirty when rescue parties resumed Thursday their search of the wreck strewn floodwaters of the Cowitz river into which the old suspension bridge here, bearing scores of men and women, collapsed at 5 o'clock Wednesday night.

Traffic was jammed

From fifty to one hundred pedestrians, one truck and at least ten passenger automobiles were on the bridge when it fell. The structure gave way in the midst of a traffic jam caused by a stalled car.

Most of the persons on the bridge were thrown into the swirling waters and many were picked up by boats or swam ashore. After darkness of efforts to recover bodies were futile, though the river steamer Pomona, lured by the hope that there might be life in the debris, breasted the swift current during the night to play a searchlight over the scene. But early Thursday morning no bodies had been found.

Of those rescued, one was fatally hurt and died Thursday morning, and another was believed fatally injured. Six others were taken from the water seriously hurt.

Fall into Flood

The bridge connected East and West Kelso. A cable support buckled and the bridge threw trucks, automobiles and wagons and their passengers into the torrent, swollen by recent floods. Many leaped to safety as the span sank.

Deputy Coroner Varmote, who saw the crash, estimated that twenty to twenty-five bodies and fifteen to eighteen automobiles were in the river.

BLACK RIVER PLAN IS ADVANCED STEP BY COUNTY BOARD

Authorizes Work of Damming Chutes to Start When Legislature Acts

SUPERVISOR OLSEN REPORTS ON COST OF THE PROJECT

Bids Received from Accountants on Cost of Auditing Books

THE Black river project, whereby the flow of water in the river will be increased in the original channel of the river in La Crosse county, occupied the attention of the county board at the morning session of the January meeting which opened Thursday morning.

It was voted by the supervisors to authorize the special committee, of which Barney Olsen, sponsor and staunch supporter of the measure before the county board for nearly three years, is chairman, to proceed with the work of repairing the river banks as soon as an enabling act is passed by the legislature.

Mr. Olsen submitted a report of the Black river committee, in which it was stated that approximately 600 feet of dams would have to be built at a probable cost of \$1,328. Tested the principal chutes, Dodge and Hammond, that would be closed. Mr. Olsen said there were a number of smaller breaks discovered by the committee on its tours of inspection along the river from Oquaska to Lyons, and also about New Amsterdam. The river bottom would also have to be cleared in the vicinity of Indian spring.

Mr. Olsen then introduced a resolution asking that the committee be authorized to proceed with the work of damming the chutes and breaks in the banks while the water is at a low stage.

District Attorney Stanley Gordon, with whom the special committee conferred informed the board that the law in his opinion, allows the county board to authorize the improvement of the river, but to keep up any legal angles suggested that the county and city join in asking the legislature to pass a special enabling act that would permit the county to do the work and also to allow the city to legally carry out the unanimous offer of the common council to be responsible for any liability that might be incurred by the work, such as flooding hay lands or other damages to farms along the river.

Supervisor Val Keppel wanted all breaks in the river in La Crosse county repaired and Mr. Olsen accepted this amendment to his resolution. Supervisor Guenther moved to lay the entire matter over to the March meeting of the board or until the legislature had passed an enabling act. Supervisor Terdy suggested that the committee be authorized to proceed with the work as soon as an enabling act is passed. Mr. Olsen objected at first to anything short of sanction by the county board to begin work on the project immediately, asserting that he was skeptical of the time the legislature would take to pass the emergency measure and that if the work was delayed until after the March meeting of the board the high water stage would be near in the river and the work could not be done for another year.

However, the board voted to authorize the committee to proceed with the work as soon as the legislature approved of the step.

Bids on the cost of auditing the county books were received by the board. The bids were: O'Toole and O'Toole, \$575; E. P. Cook, \$500; Emmert Tax and Accounting Service, \$450; and T. W. Burns, \$450. Supervisor Pettigill read a report on the number of counties in the state where audits have been made and telling of the extent of the audit. The bids were referred to the committee on finance.

MINE STOPS STRIP WORK

HIBBING, Minn.—The Mahoning Ore & Steel company has stopped all stripping operations and will do repair work for the next two or three months, in preparation for the 1923 season, it was announced Wednesday.

PROFIT ON GASOLINE OVER CENT A GALLON COMMITTEE IS TOLD

Standard Oil of New York Made Profits of One to One and a Half Cents Says Official

TESTIFIES BEFORE SENATORS INVESTIGATING OIL INDUSTRY

High Salaries Paid Officials Testimony Shows

WASHINGTON, D. C.—By the Associated Press.—Profits averaging from 1 cent to 1 1/2 cents are realized by the Standard Oil company of New York upon each gallon of gasoline produced in its refineries, according to testimony submitted by the corporation on Wednesday in the senate oil investigation.

Testimony was presented to the senate manufacturers' subcommittee conducting the inquiry by four officials of the Standard of New York who, replying to questions put by the committee counsel, described in detail operations of the company in the fields of foreign and domestic trade, transportation and finance. Incidentally the committee got its first direct information as to salaries paid high officials of oil companies.

Seven Cents on Gallon

The statement as to profits on gasoline was made by Howard A. Wilkinson, a director of the corporation in charge of domestic sales. He estimated the spread in gasoline between the refineries of the Standard of New York and the company's filling stations in the territory it covers—New York and the New England states—at 7 cents a gallon. This spread, he said, was taken up by a little more than 1 1/2 cents a gallon for freight and a little more than 4 cents for marketing, with the balance representing profits to the company.

The information as to salaries was brought out by Chairman La Follette. Representatives of companies appearing previously before the committee were asked to submit a list of their higher officials and the salaries paid each. However, when Howard E. Cole, third vice president of the Standard of New York, took the stand, Mr. La Follette asked him point blank what his salary was. Mr. Cole plainly was disconcerted by the question, but finally replied in a low voice that his salary for 1922 was \$47,500, for 1921 was \$42,000, and for 1919 was \$35,000.

High Salaried Executive

Mr. Wilkinson, who followed Mr. Cole, also was subjected to inquiry as to his salary and likewise in a low voice said he was paid \$32,000 last year, \$27,500 the year previous and \$18,000 in 1920 when he was Boston manager for the Standard of New York.

While the manufacturers' committee was pursuing its inquiry which is expected to be concluded the last of this month, steps were taken by the senate public lands committee to resume its inquiry into leases of naval oil reserves. Definite plans were left for formulating next week but members said that investigation probably would be first made into leases given by the interior department to the Sinclair interests in the Teapot Dome region of Wyoming concerning which Secretary Fall of the interior department desires to testify before his retirement from office March 4.

Financial operations of the Standard of New York were testified to before the manufacturers' committee by A. E. Hinch, controller of the corporation, who estimated net earnings of the company since the supreme court dissolution decree at \$253, \$17,550.

Reductions Are Ordered

Mr. Wilkinson in replying to questions as to domestic business of the company said the Standard of New York controlled about half of the retail business of the territory which it covered. He declared emphatically that independent dealers were given the same right in the purchase of gasoline from his company as dealers having the pumps and tanks furnished by the company. Reductions from 24 to 22 cents a gallon in the price of gasoline in New York City, ordered recently by the Standard of New York, he said, was due to competition by the Gulf and Texas companies.

Other representatives of the Standard of New York will be heard on Thursday by the committee and then the inquiry will be turned to the Magnolia Petroleum company, a subsidiary of the Standard of New York.

BRITISH DELEGATION TO LEAVE PARIS ON FRIDAY; FRANCE PROCEEDS ALONE

Break Over Reparations Described by Briton as "Amicable Rupture"; Resent Tone Adopted by Premier Poincare of France at Closing Session of Conference

PARIS.—By the Associated Press.—The allied reparations conference here broke up shortly before seven o'clock this evening.

"It is an amicable rupture," said a member of the British delegation as he was leaving the conference.

"We are going home tomorrow morning. France goes ahead without us."

The British delegation members declared they were astounded by the tone adopted by M. Poincare in his remarks during the session, which was held in secret, as are all the present meetings. The French premier spoke in a sharp peremptory manner as he delivered his statement, they said, but Premier Bonar Law, in response to anxious queries of the correspondents, asking "Is it all off?" replied:

"No, we are coming back."

WASHINGTON KEEPS WATCHFUL EYE ON PARIS CONFERENCE

Nothing Made Public as to Conferences of Colonel Harvey With the President

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Official Washington continued to give closest attention Thursday to the threatened break-up of the reparations conference of allied premiers at Paris, with Ambassador Harvey summoned here from London by the state department, still on the ground for conference with officials in the apparent task of feeling their way towards some means of American helpfulness in the situation.

If there had been any decision reached or steps taken as a result of Colonel Harvey's presumed conferences with President Harding Wednesday at the White House, where he is the president's guest, or his meeting later in the day with Secretary Hughes, there had been no indication of what these were.

Meanwhile the senate comes into the sphere of developments again with signs of another approaching storm of debate, centering this time around the proposal by Senator Robinson, democrat, Arkansas, to authorize the president to appoint official American representatives on the reparations commission to aid in the adjustment of the reparations tangle there.

Jusserand Gets Instructions

PARIS.—By The Associated Press.—Premier Poincare sent a cable message Thursday to Ambassador Jusserand in Washington asking him to see Secretary of State Hughes in connection with the statement made to the Associated Press Wednesday by Baron Von Rosenberg, the German foreign minister, on the German peace proposal, which Premier Poincare contends showed that the principal object of the non-war pact proposed by Germany was to obtain the evacuation of the Rhineland without the payment of reparations.

Want Allies to Leave Rhine

Premier Poincare's message asked ambassador Jusserand, in taking up the Rosenberg statement with Secretary Hughes, to make the following observations:

First—That the object Germany had in view in making the proposition was manifestly as admitted by Baron Von Rosenberg "to get the French to evacuate the left bank of the Rhine before the Germans had fulfilled their reparations obligations."

Second—That it is absurd to pretend that before entering the league of nations Germany is not subject to all the clauses of the treaty of Versailles that bear Germany's signature, and that she is free today to attack France.

Rush Robinson Resolution

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Assurances of immediate consideration for the resolution of Senator Robinson, democrat, Arkansas, proposing American representation on the reparations commission, were given by administration senate leaders Thursday after Chairman Lodge of the foreign relations committee had conferred with President Harding and Ambassador Harvey at the White House.

Senator Lodge did not express any definite opinion regarding the advisability of adopting the resolution, but raised the total by \$150,000, to its estimated amount of \$173,300. The amount of uninsured property loss was \$63,000. The preceding year the fire loss scarcely reached \$56,000. There were 186 calls that year, while in 1922 there were 239.

HUNDRED THOUSAND FAKED PRESCRIPTIONS PASSED IN MINNESOTA SAYS DRY AGENT

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn.—More than 100,000 forged prescriptions, each calling for a pint of whisky, have been passed in Minnesota, S. B. Qvale, state prohibition director, announced Thursday after a two weeks investigation. Arrests are expected in Chicago, Milwaukee, Minneapolis, and other places, Mr. Qvale said.

Withhold Names

MILWAUKEE, Wis.—The federal prohibition office here announced Thursday that the names of physicians involved in the Minneapolis and St. Paul prescription case will not be made known. Due to the fact the year has ended and applications for renewal of permits must be made, the national director has issued orders that permits be refused doctors against whom evidence is conclusive. Unless the physicians demand a hearing the cases will be disposed of quietly. When hearings are demanded, the case will be made public.

SHOTS FROM MINE BEGAN RIOT SAYS HERRIN WITNESS

Testifies First Shots Fired Came from Concealed Gun at the Mine

CALL MORE WITNESSES TO TELL OF AGGRESSIVE ACTS OF GUARDS

Claim McDowell Says He Would Work Mine "With Blood"

MARION, Ill.—By the "Associated Press"—The first shots fired in the Herrin riots came from a concealed gun at the "strip mine," according to Grover Kelly, a witness for the defense Thursday at the trial of five men charged with murder in connection with the riots.

Kelly, a miner, said he was near the mine the day of the rioting and saw a crowd moving toward the line, some of whom had guns.

"I heard some one say: 'We don't want to have any trouble,' and two men said they would go to the mine and try to get the non-union workers to quit."

First Shot From Mine

"The crowd then moved toward the mine and as they were advancing they were fired upon from the mine, the shots coming from a gun concealed behind a bush on top of the mine dump."

"Then I saw Jordy Henderson, the first of three union miners killed that day, fall. It was not until after Henderson was killed that the first shots were fired on the mine."

The witness said that when he first saw the crowd it had five workers who had fled from the pit and that he took two of them to Marion and put them on a train going out of the county.

Men Were Warned

Kelly declared the men told him that McDowell had warned them that if they left the pit they would be killed by the union men if they were not killed by the guards in the mine. This was the day before the twenty non-union men were killed.

Fifteen witnesses Wednesday accused the guards of various offenses, ranging from highway robbery to terrorizing of the surrounding community and described events from the arrival of the guards to the shooting at the mine on the afternoon of June 21, the day the riots started and three union miners were killed.

Several witnesses testified they had watched the firing from the top of a nearby mine tipple.

One witness, who said he talked with C. K. McDowell, superintendent of the mine, before the start of the riots, quoted him as saying he was going to work the mine even though he "had to work it with blood."

FINDING OF SNAKE LEADS TO FORECAST OF MILD WEATHER

MINOCQUA, Wis.—Alex Doucette, of this city, found a four-foot black snake in the woods near Tomahawk Lake Wednesday afternoon. To find a snake of any specimen in Upper Wisconsin during the winter is rare and old settlers claim that it is a sure sign of mild weather.

JUDGE RETURNS TO PLACE TAKEN FROM HIM DURING WAR

Becker of Monroe Again Named to Green County Bench by Governor Blaine

MADISON, Wis.—Governor Blaine, Wednesday night appointed former Judge John M. Becker, Monroe, to be county judge of Green county, the position from which he was removed during the world war when charged with violation of the espionage law.

Becker, a strong La Follette supporter, will immediately take over the duties which he fulfilled prior to the war. Former Governor E. J. Phillip removed him from office after a federal indictment was returned against him on the ground of alleged pro-German activities.

The judge, at the height of the war, was convicted on the indictment returned against him, but the case was dismissed on appeal.

When the war closed he sued for the salary lost by him during the time he had been out of office as a result of his removal. The state supreme court denied his right to claim the back pay.

In making the appointment Governor Blaine gave out the following statement:

"John M. Becker was the first elected judge for Green county in 1897, and thereafter elected to the same office three consecutive terms. He was removed from office during the war because of a wrongful indictment and conviction under the espionage law. From that conviction he appealed to the United States court of appeals and such court set aside the conviction and he was completely vindicated."

"That the espionage law was misused and abused during the war, there is no doubt. There was a wrong committed against Mr. Becker, and his appointment to the office from which he was removed makes possible a partial restitution of his rights."

GETTLE OPPOSES LOWER RATES FOR SOUTHERN RAILWAY

MADISON, Wis.—L. E. Gettle, chairman of the Wisconsin railroad commission, is appearing before the interstate commerce commission Thursday in opposition to the application of the Southern Pacific railway company for lower freight rates on its lines from New York to the Pacific coast. It is proposed to bring these charges to the same basis as the rates now in effect from Milwaukee, Chicago and other Mississippi valley points.

Mr. Gettle, appearing for trade and manufacturing interests of Milwaukee, argues that if this application is granted Mississippi Valley trade will suffer.

COMMITTEE DELAYS FINAL ACTION ON DAUGHERTY CHARGE

WASHINGTON.—The house judiciary committee adjourned after a two-hour session Thursday until next Tuesday without taking final action on the Keller impeachment charges against Attorney General Daugherty.

DAUGHTER OF MORGAN AIDE KILLED IN PARIS

PARIS.—By The Associated Press.—Miss Hope Harjes, daughter of H. H. Harjes of Morgan, Harjes & Company, the Paris branch of J. P. Morgan & Company, has been killed in a hunting accident at the Harjes country place.

Miss Harjes was riding a polo pony which became frightened by the bunting horns and the dogs employed in the chase. She was thrown from the pony and in falling her head struck the stump of a tree. She died a few hours later. She was 24 years old.

BELOIT PRESIDENT TAKES SCHOOL JOB IN MONTANA

HELENA, Mont.—Melvin A. Brannon, president of the Beloit college, Beloit, Wis., has accepted the chancellorship of the University of Montana and will arrive in Missoula January 15, according to a telegram received Thursday by Miss May Thompson, state superintendent of public instruction and secretary of the board of education.

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"The Beautiful"

"YOU are now," say the signs erected last summer on trunk highways at the county lines, "in beautiful La Crosse County."

It has been good advertising. The signs have created a great deal of comment among tourists. They have called attention to the undeniable natural beauties of this region. Together with other efforts that have been made on the same line they have done their share in establishing for the Coulee country of Wisconsin a reputation for natural beauty that seems bound to become one of its greatest assets. But it is an asset that must be continually developed. We must be continually pegging away, in every form we can devise, at this justifiable advertising of ours. In the end we will win, as California and Florida have won, the reward which falls to unique and unusual natural endowment.

So we heartily recommend to La Crosse the idea suggested by Dr. Evenson to the Kiwanis Club, that every member carry on his business stationery, underneath the name of the city in his address, the words "the beautiful." The Kiwanis Club, of course, was quick to realize the power in the idea, and adopted it without delay. Other business men, we understand, are following suit and already there leave La Crosse every day for all over the country hundreds of letters that on paper and envelope declare themselves to come from "La Crosse, the Beautiful."

"La Crosse, the Beautiful." It sounds a bit flamboyant, perhaps, but it is true of everything that nature has given us in this county. There are thousands of people in this country who are eager to find and enjoy such masterpieces of the Creator. But they must first be told where they are. That would seem to be a labor of love for us who live in the midst of it, and certainly it will not be love's labor lost. Tourist Americans are known the world around as promoters and disseminators of prosperity.

So—next time you order stationery have the printer put under the "La Crosse" in your address its natural, nature-bestowed title, "the Beautiful."

The Anti-War Pact

OF course the German proposal to France of a mutual pledge against aggressive war was intended to relieve Germany of the threat by which France has been attempting to enforce payment of reparations. Baron Rosenberg, German foreign minister, frankly said as much when he spoke of it as planned to relieve the Rhineland of the fifteen years occupation provided for in the treaty. But that being admitted, it still sheds a lurid light on French policy and intention that the offer should have been refused. At the very least Poincare could have replied, had he no sinister possibilities in his mind as a background to his present policy, that France could give a pledge against aggression provided some other way were found to guarantee her against loss on the reparations account. To flatly refuse, and to explain the refusal by such a transparent excuse as that the power to declare war lies in the French parliament, and a war could not therefore be allowed to hinge on a plebiscite, is to bring into question the integrity of French professions that her great show of force on the Rhine, her general recalcitrance against every suggestion of leniency in the slightest degree toward Germany, is merely to insure the collection of her debts.

It is obvious that M. Poincare attaches much less importance to his repeated clamors about the German war of revenge that he alleges is preparing than he wishes the rest of the world to attach to them. Were he honestly in fear that Germany would within a comparatively few years attack France again, the opportunity of insuring his country against such an attack was plain in the German proposal, not only giving Germany's promise for what it might be worth, but suggesting that England join in the guarantee and the United States be the referee and trustee to see that the pledge was kept. Perhaps making the compact, involving as it would, the consent of England and the United States, would have been harder than proposing it, but the United States was at least

willing to transmit the proposition, for one thing, and for another meeting the Germans half-way on the suggestion would have committed France to nothing had negotiations failed. France had all to gain, if we accept her recent explanations of her policy at face value, and nothing to lose by friendly consideration of such a proposal. Evidently what M. Poincare and M. Clemenceau have been telling us is considerably below par.

To a detached observer, it seems fairly obvious that France is moved in her present policy much less by fear of Germany and desire to collect for the damage German armies did in the late war than by a Napoleonic vision of super-eminence on the continent. Her army is comparatively stronger now than it has been, as a commentator recently pointed out, since Austerlitz. The nation against whose throat all this military strength is ostensibly assembled and developed, is practically bankrupt, and continually watched by hostile checkers that she may not produce even the beginnings of the material equipment without which modern war is impossible. For a nation in the position of France to refuse to promise, or even to entertain the notion of promising to refrain from aggression for a period of years is not much short of serving notice on her neighbors that the possibility of aggression is somewhere in the background of her thoughts.

Germany's offer was a diplomatic failure, considered in itself. But it may prove to have been in its results a genuine victory, in that it seems to have placed the imperialism now enduring French policy beyond a shadow of doubt. The world has seen, and will take due notice of it, one feels sure. M. Poincare might devote some profitable hours to close study of the details, fresh in his memory if he cares to look, of what happened to Kaiser Wilhelm when it became evident to the world that he felt himself qualified to take sole charge of European affairs. And if that is insufficient, the career of Napoleon in much the same circumstances commends itself. The days of universal empire by force of arms are definitely done, and statesmen who are up with the times should be able to see this before it is written for the third time in bloody letters across Europe.

Tom Sims Says:

"Heaven," says a minister, "is a million miles away." Then a spender often goes a million miles on less than a gallon of gas.

Near Pittsburg, Pa., handits got \$20,000 from a coal dealer. Bandits know where the money is.

French dressing for salads is expensive, but French dressing for girls is worse than expensive.

A man can be a self-starter and not get where he is going unless he is a self-stopper.

A boy will break a crooked ruler. European nations do the same.

The most popular reading matter in jail is the calendar.

Some people's object in life is objecting.

In Ye Olden Times

TEN YEARS AGO TODAY

The undertaking business conducted at 326 South Fourth street by W. L. Tetley will hereafter be carried on under the name of Tetley and Schroeder. H. F. Schroeder, who has been in the undertaking business at Milo, Iowa, for the past twenty years, today purchased one-half interest in Mr. Tetley's business.

Miss Maude Spencer has accepted the principalship of the West La Crosse schools. Miss Stella Sheely will be primary teacher.

Robert Robertson and son are leaving the city today for Arkansas. They will visit Hot Springs, Little Rock and other points.

W. G. Dickson has bought out the Post saloon and restaurant on Third street formerly run by Frank Quinn.

Two men who are products of La Crosse, Mr. Ellis B. Usher and Mr. Lucius C. Colman, will play an important part in the publication of a new history of Wisconsin shortly to be published in eight volumes. Mr. Usher is editor-in-chief and Mr. Colman is a member of the board of editors.

TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY

Mrs. Minnie Whittenberg died at her home yesterday morning of old age. Mrs. Whittenberg was born in Germany in 1825 but came to this city sixty-three years ago and has lived here ever since.

Tuesday evening a new lighting company will petition the West Salem village board for a franchise to enter the city with new lights.

Frank Moulis, a Bohemian gardener residing at 1516 South Tenth street, died yesterday after a short illness. He was fifty-two years old.

Lieut. Warrens of Tomah has been appointed captain of Company K, First Battalion, to succeed Captain Goodyear who resigned.

Mrs. Charles A. Glover of Onalaska died at her home of heart failure yesterday. Mrs. Glover had lived in Onalaska for the past fifty-two years. She was fifty-eight years old.

THIRTY YEARS AGO TODAY

Beginning next Sunday evangelistic services will be held in the Union church on Clinton street. They will be conducted by A. Matthews of Minneapolis.

C. J. Ross has purchased the grocery store at Fifth and Jay streets, formerly owned and conducted by Charles Smith and son. Mr. Ross will open the store to the public January 7.

A new photographers studio has been opened on the corner of State and Fifth streets. It is run by Mr. Varney.

Miss Fannie Clark left last evening for an extended visit with relatives in Philadelphia.

The Misses Marie and Irene Copeland returned to Philadelphia last evening to resume their studies.

Miss Helen Burton has returned to the World's Fair city where she will resume her study of music.

Mathias Solie will leave in a few days on a trip through Florida and Tennessee to inspect farming property.

Railroads and Love

BY LILY WANDEL

When Ross Lane came to Greenwood in the extreme north of the state to look after his "interests" it was most natural that he made his headquarters in the bachelor abode of Bob Devers, an old college friend.

"Great luck for you, Ross!" cried Bob, striding restlessly up and down the living room and office combination of his wee cottage. "I'd give half my life to have had such good fortune! Not for myself—I don't give a hang for money myself, but for Melba."

Ross, who was smiling smugly at the fire, ignored the last part of the speech. "Bob, I never really gave that old tract of land a thought—fields full of tree stumps, a nice inheritance, and now the railroad going to come up here! Bob, I feel like a millionaire! A man down in the city offices tipped me off, or I'd never have been on to it at all. These railroad officials will be up here in a week or two. And, do you know, Bob, a dozen persons seem to be on to it, for I have had as many offers for that land!"

Bob stood still, deep in thought, his eyes glued on the roaring logs. Then he turned gravely to Ross. "Look here, I want to tell you something. There's a girl here in this town—the loveliest woman I have ever seen. I love her, Ross, but I haven't a ghost of a chance. Her name is Melba. Waiting and she has told me quite frankly that she is inclined to be mercenary about marriage, she'll only marry a man with money."

"Contentment!" shrugged the other, lighting a cigar.

"Maybe, but meet her and then judge. You have a better chance to win her than any other man in town. Fact is, Ross, everybody knows what you have come up here for. You're a fine looking fellow and with this heavy money background you're just the man for Melba!"

"Bob, old chap, I feel sorry for you! I'm not in the market for a wife, but if you wish I'll teach this young lady a lesson."

Bob smiled faintly. "Go ahead—but I know you'll fail for her. They all do!"

"I'll try, perhaps. In this God-forsaken little town, but remember I've been practically all over the world."

"I know it," answered Bob, gloomily. "They always fail the hardest." Ross was not exactly prepared for Melba, she had fancied her entirely different—a bit haughty, or a trifle bold, but here was a slip of a girl with grave blue eyes who reminded him of a Botticelli Madonna. He tried to tell himself that this was a pose she affected, but after half a dozen meetings he was forced to admit that she was perfectly natural.

In a small town cut off from the world it is comparatively easy to make friendships and see a great deal of another in a few weeks. Ross hoped that it would be a long time before these railroad officials came to Greenwood to buy his land. He liked to walk to the old Waring home on the edge of the town where Melba lived with an aged aunt and uncle, and wander with the young girl through the pine woods. It was difficult to remember, then, that his object was to teach her a lesson.

He told her quite frankly about his prospects and her eyes grew bright and eager. Then one day he told her that he loved her and asked her to marry him—this was part of the lesson.

"I've heard the news," cried Bob the next evening with feverish eyes and pale cheeks. "Melba has accepted you—didn't I tell you! It's a darn shame, just when I'm about to close a deal that would mean a golden future for this town and myself. Think of it, Ross, if I could get a paper mill here! It's ideal—all this uncut wood—plenty of water! My luck again! But look here, you—you—she's marrying you for your money, that's all!" He fairly snarled the words at Ross.

"Bob," he said thickly, "I'm only teaching her a lesson, you know."

"I know better!" roared his friend. "You've head over heels in love with her and you won't teach her any other lesson except to marry you!"

Ross fought with himself all through the night and by dawn he admitted that he loved her. Mercenary or not, she was the girl he wanted for a wife.

After a few hours' sound sleep Ross awoke filled with real happiness. It was his intention to walk out to the Waring home at once, but the news reached him at breakfast that the long-looked-for railroad officials had arrived at last. Ross hurried through breakfast and went to see them with a confident, expectant heart.

An hour later he was up at the Waring home.

"Ross, what's happened?" Melba's blue eyes were dark with concern. "Let's go for a walk," abruptly, "there's something I want to ask you."

She trotted off obediently with him. "Melba, is it true that you want to marry me—that—the words choked him—"you wouldn't consider a poor man?"

She was silent a moment and when she spoke her voice was low and troubled. "It is true? Ross, how can I tell you? I've lived in an atmosphere of poverty all my life—it fairly stifles me! My mother might have lived if there had been money for specialists—money for comforts and

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A trip to the city. I grow cold and hard when I think of it. Ross, I grow firm with resolve when I think how my brother was thwarted of education and opportunity. My children will have these things, which money alone can put off. Oh, Ross, can you understand? It isn't just selfishness; it's the natural result of living handicapped by poverty."

He drew her gently to him and kissed her. "Melba, I understand; you do love me; I can feel that. But you never would have permitted yourself to fall in love with me if there had not been this big railroad deal in the background. Isn't that the truth?" His grasp tightened on her fingers. "Melba, the officials have arrived; I've spoken to them. They have no intention of buying my acres of tree stumps." He felt her fingers grow icy cold, and he continued monotonously, "It's only fair that I tell you, Bob has got some capital interested in locating a pulp and paper mill here, and there's somebody with pull connected with the deal who has influenced the railroad to enter the town from the other end. Bob's going to boom this town. Melba, he's on a fair way to be a wealthy man."

They walked along for a long time in complete silence; then she turned to him with a smile. "Ross, do you

think for one moment that I can give you up? Love is the strongest of all desires."

He looked at her with real agony in his eyes. "It would not be fair. I would be taking advantage of your emotions and pity. There's Bob—"

"Ross, what matters money or railroad when we love each other? Father and mother were poverty stricken, but they were happy together. We are going, with courage and stout hearts!" and her blue eyes lighted so brightly and her lips pursed so temptingly that Ross gave himself up to happiness.

When he strode back to Bob's cottage the owner thereof met him excitedly. "Look here, Ross—"

"What in the dickens are you looking so ridiculously happy about? Because you just lost thousands of dollars?"

"The whole town is sorry for you, Ross, but I can't say that I am," Ross, and his voice quivered with eagerness. "The railroad officials are going out to see Melba this afternoon to negotiate with her for all that bad timber land she owns in the rear of her place. The railroad is coming through that way on account of this paper mill project. That's not the point. Melba will make a nice little sum out of it and that makes her independent to choose—understand—choose the man she really wants."

"Bob," answered Ross quietly, "I'm sorry for you, but Melba has made her choice."

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CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Mitchell Has Record

PARIS.—The International Aeronautical federation officially credited Brigadier General William Mitchell, assistant chief of the American air force, with a world record of 224.05 miles per hour in a flight at Selfridge field, Michigan, October 18, 1922.

WOULD INCREASE COTTON CROP

LONDON.—A threatened shortage of American cotton was directing attention to developments in the Sudan by which it was said Egypt's annual production of long staple cotton can be increased 110,000 bales.

NEW GLIDER RECORD

RISKA, Algeria.—Lieutenant Thoret, a French military aviator, made a new glider record by keeping in the air for seven hours and three minutes.

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STATE ASSOCIATION OF FAIRS TO MEET AT CHIPPEWA FALLS

Organization Expected to Ask
for Creation of State Fair
Service Bureau

MADISON, Wis. — The annual meeting of the Wisconsin Association of Fairs, including all organized fairs in the state, will be held in Chippewa Falls during February. This was announced Thursday by Secretary A. W. Prehn, Wausau. The exact date will be set within a few days.

It is said that this organization may ask for the establishment of a Fair Service Bureau by the state. The object of such a bureau would be to furnish information for improvement of fair classifications, plans for fair buildings and other similar information. It is hinted that such a bureau might be given authority to inspect all fairs drawing state aid.

Repeal of old laws governing license of concessionaires at fairs may also be asked by the Association. The fair men claim that the present laws are unfair and obsolete.

It is also possible that the organization may take a definite stand on the carnival question. Many communities in this state have already voted not to permit carnivals within their town and city limits and others are expected to follow that lead this year. The state fair is planning the construction of many permanent riding devices on its grounds for the formation of a stock company for their promotion. This means that the state fair intends to get entirely away from carnivals as soon as possible.

Several district and county fairs are also planning to use riding devices only beginning this year. It is claimed that during the past two years Wisconsin has been infested more than any other state with all grades of carnivals, from the cheapest to the most objectionable. This is because, owing to the dairy industry, Wisconsin was not as hard hit by the economic depression. The result has been the strong reaction against carnivals, especially among managers of fairs.

WEEKS PROPOSES HIGHER RANK FOR TWO ARMY OFFICERS

WASHINGTON, D. C. — Primary Weeks indicated Wednesday that he now has hopes of a promotion by which he would command a regiment of infantry. He is presently a major in the 1st Cavalry Division, and is expected to be promoted to lieutenant colonel in the near future.

Mr. Weeks is a native of Illinois and served in the 1st Cavalry Division during the war. He was wounded in action and received the Distinguished Service Cross. He is now a major in the 1st Cavalry Division, and is expected to be promoted to lieutenant colonel in the near future.

Chains Are Deceiving
If you think every watch chain you see has a watch on it you are wrong.
— Ford du Lac Reporter.

Dandruff Surely Destroys The Hair

Girls, if you want plenty of thick, beautiful, glossy, silken hair, do by all means get rid of dandruff, for it will starve your hair and ruin it if you don't.

It does no good to try to brush or wash it out. The only sure way to get rid of dandruff is to dissolve it, then you destroy it entirely. To do this, get about four ounces of ordinary liquid arvon, apply it at night when retiring, use enough to moisten the scalp and rub it in gently with the finger tips.

It is important to get rid of your dandruff, for it not only ruins your hair, but it also causes a number of skin diseases.

You will find that all itching and itching of the scalp will stop, and your hair will be thick and feel a hundred times better. You can get liquid arvon at any drug store. Your money is all you will need, no matter how much dandruff you have. This simple remedy never fails.



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sonable merchandise, as well as new merchandise especially purchased for this event that is priced way below regular. Be on hand early Friday morning to take advantage of these savings.

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Nashua Plaid Blanket in assorted colored block plaids, first quality. Regularly sold at \$2.98; especially priced in the January Clearance Sale, \$2.39.

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11c yd

Here is a genuine bargain. A good quality brown Muslin, full 36 inches wide, actually less than wholesale cost today.

36 in. Bleached Muslin

15c yd

This Muslin is especially priced for this sale. Buy now for the future for prices are sure to be higher.

9-4 Sterling Wide Brown Sheeting

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Here is a good quality Unbleached Sheeting, full 81 inches wide, especially priced in this January Sale at 42c yard.

Clearance Sale

All Silk Georgette Crepe

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This beautiful fabric is 40 inches wide and comes in gray, turquoise, flesh, tan, copenhagen and pink. \$1.89 values.

White Silk Stripe Cotton Voile

19c yd

This is a very fine quality of Voile with dainty silk stripe or check. It is 36 inches wide and retails regularly from 59c to 79c a yard.

Men's 35c Leather Gloves, January Sale, per pair **19c**

Men's 59c Leather Gloves, January Sale, per pair **29c**

Men's 85c and 98c Leather Gloves, January Sale, pair **69c**

Men's Husking Mittens, special, 5 pairs for **25c**

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27-inch DRESS GINGHAM, January Clearance Sale **19c**

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Roomy House Aprons, well made of good quality Gingham, attractively trimmed, \$1.25 to \$1.50 values.

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Middy Blouses

\$2.59

Strictly all wool Middy Blouses, attractively trimmed with braid and emblems.

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49c

Roll edge enameled Dish Pans, especially priced during this sale.

WOMEN'S HEATHER MIX HOSE, January Clearance Sale **25c**

WOMEN'S DROP STITCH HOSE, January Clearance Sale **49c**

MEN'S COTTON SOX, January Clearance Sale 2 pair for **25c**

MEN'S \$1.59 FLEECE UNION SUITS, January Clearance Sale **\$1.19**

JERGEN'S 10c BATH TABLETS, January Clearance Sale **5c**

U. S. HIGH COURT HEARS ARGUMENTS ON DRY SHIP RULE

Foreign and American Operators
Contest Daugherty Interpretation of Prohibition

CLAIM CONGRESS NEVER INTENDED TO BAR LIQUOR FROM THE SEA

Would Have Made Provisions to
that Effect Says Counsel

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The ten cases brought by foreign steamship companies and the two brought by American operators to contest the construction placed by Attorney General Daugherty upon the prohibition amendment and enforcement act were up for oral argument in the supreme court Thursday. Under the ruling foreign ships would be prohibited from entering American waters with intoxicating liquors in their sea stores, and American ships would be prohibited from having such liquor aboard at any place. The case came before the court on appeal from a decision by federal Judge Hand in New York upholding the attorney general.

Counsel on both sides admit that congress can prohibit foreign steamships from bringing intoxicating liquor into American ports, but while counsel for the government insist that the court should interpret present laws as having that effect, Mr. Wickesham asserts that had congress intended to bar liquor from the sea stores of foreign vessels it would have been explicit to that effect as it was in excluding smoking opium.

Would Mean Search

The construction urged by the government, if enforced, he contends, would result in the search of all foreign ships upon reaching American ports, and the confiscation of those vessels upon which intoxicating liquor was found. It would also, he argued, oblige the government to stop the supply of wines and liquors to the foreign embassies, legations and consulates in this country, and foreign ships forced by stress of weather to enter American ports would be forced to undergo a search of their cargo, notwithstanding international law and the usage of civilized nations.

All ships, foreign and American, the government insists, have been forbidden to bring wines and intoxicating liquors into this country as a part of their cargo. There being no legal distinction between cargo and sea stores, the government argues, it follows that congress did not intend to exempt sea stores from the operation of the prohibition laws.

While the government attorneys declare it would be "regrettable" should the enforcement of the prohibition laws offend friends beyond the sea, they express the opinion that foreign nations which have shipping regulations requiring the carrying of wines and liquors for the use of the crews and certain passengers would react to them so as to conform to our laws.

AUDIENCE PRAISE "THE STORM" PUT ON BY BEACH-JONES CO.

Previous announcements had promised a production out of the ordinary and those who attended the majestic theatre last night were prepared for something unusual, but the Beach-Jones Stock company's version of "The Storm" far exceeded all expectations. Scenery which surpasses description, a strong plot, perfect acting and wonderful lighting and scenic effects all contribute to make the drama the distinctive success that it is.

In "The Storm" two men and a woman become prisoners of the snow in the north woods and are obliged to remain there for many days. Both men come to love the woman. One is a little crude in his manner but he is a real man. The other is suave and prepossessing, but at heart is a coward. How each goes about winning the love of the woman and the struggle which ensues make up a most gripping story. Despite the seriousness of most of the situations, Elvira Sitzer, who is seen as Manette, manages to turn some of them inside out, thus furnishing the play with plenty of comedy. Arthur Hayes and Gay Beach have the other two title roles.

"The Storm" will be presented again tonight, Friday and Saturday. On Sunday the Beach-Jones company puts on "The Naughty Wife," a high class comedy.

PERSONAL MENTION LA CRESCENT FOLKS

LA CRESCENT, Minn.—Epworth League of the Methodist church held its annual watch-night party Sunday evening at the church parlors from eleven until twelve o'clock, following which the group went to the home of Miss Winona Smith for a social time.

Mr. Irvine Wiskel and Miss Ida Thompson were united in marriage at the parsonage of the Methodist church Saturday night.

Arthur and Ralph Welch were given a surprise party by a group of their friends Thursday evening.

The Messrs Katherine and Jean Cameron of Ohio spent their vacation with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Cameron.

Mr. and Mrs. William A. Johnson and daughter Stella, spent New Year's with Mr. and Mrs. Vera Sack of Holmen.

BLAINE RE-NAMES STAFF
MADISON, Wis.—Governor Blaine reappointed his official staff Thursday for the second term of his administration. Ralph M. Thumel was reappointed executive secretary; Frank Kuehl was reappointed executive clerk; Miss Mabel E. Grisevold, reappointed filing clerk; Elsie M. Wood, appointed stenographer to the governor; and Sum R. Banks reappointed executive messenger.

TINY SENORITA LEADS BAND AT RIVIERA THEATER



MISS CAMACHO

Senorita Elena Camacho and her Royal Tropical Marimba Band of Central America opened a four day engagement at the Riviera theatre last evening and completely captivated a large audience. Senorita Camacho is small of stature with a dark complexion of the Spanish; she has a fine voice, a wonderful personality and puts her songs over in an excellent manner. Her rendition of the Spanish serenade "La Paloma" is especially fine.

The Marimba Band, which plays her accompaniment, is made up of seven players on the marimba and a fat and jolly gentleman on the bass viol that is of greater size than his own six feet in height. These entertainers are the kind you could sit and listen to all night and it is readily understood after hearing them why they have been playing some of the largest theatres and hotels in the country.

JUDGE SPEEDS UP SECOND TRIAL OF B. F. KNEESKERN

Jury Expected to be Completed
Thursday and Taking of
Testimony Started

CHARLES CITY, Ia.—Determination of Judge Kelley to speed along the Kneeskern murder case here was evident at the opening session Wednesday afternoon when he held the court in session until almost six o'clock.

The examination was resumed at nine o'clock Thursday morning, only one of the sixteen persons questioned admitted holding a preconnected opinion that would prejudice him in his verdict. Others showed a willingness—almost an eagerness in some cases—to help determine whether the defendant did, as the prosecution contends, murder Irene Van Brocklin in a lonely cabin on one of his farms. Many professed they had never heard of the case until its transfer here on a charge of venue from Winneshiek county where the defendant was found guilty on his first trial.

"It should be one of the easiest juries ever selected here," an old court attaché ventured, predicting that testimony would be started before night. The one woman on the panel, Mrs. Lizzie Jones, testified against her husband's sitting on the jury when she stated her opinion was not "exactly formed." There are four other women left in the full panel of sixty. Fourteen talesmen, including four women, were excused from serving.

AGRICULTURAL BODY MEETS IN CAMPBELL TOWN HALL JAN. 10

The La Crosse County Agricultural, Horticultural and Dairy association will hold its next regular meeting in the Campbell town hall, on Wednesday, January 10. The program will be announced soon. Dinner will be served at noon, and an invitation to bring baskets, and enjoy the luncheon and program, is extended to all.

OBITUARY

PETER BORSTAD
The funeral of Peter Borstad, age 70 years, who passed away at a local institution on Sunday, Jan. 3, at 8 o'clock p. m., will be held from the Telford Funeral Chapel, 208 South Fourth street, Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

MRS. ALBERT BRURING
Mrs. Albert Bruring passed away at her home, 1221 West Avenue South, at 11 a. m. Thursday after an illness of several years.

The deceased was born in Germany November 1, 1852. She is survived by her husband and family, and by six brothers and two sisters.

MRS. JACOB HERMANN
Mrs. Jacob Hermann, 1427 Badger street, died January 3, at 8 o'clock p. m., at the home of her daughter, Mrs. George Baier.

Mrs. Hermann was born in Germany and came to America when nine years of age. She was married to Jacob Hermann, who died in 1886.

She is survived by her husband, three daughters and six sons, Mr. Otto Wolf, Mrs. George Baier and Miss Minnie Wolf, William and George of Melrose, Jacob, Jr., of La Crosse, Adolph of Denver, Colo., and Walter of Galesville, and 14 grandchildren.

Funeral arrangements will be announced later.

CARD OF THANKS
We wish to thank the friends and neighbors for the kindness and sympathy shown us during our recent bereavement. Especially do we thank Rev. Andreas, the pallbearers and those who sent floral offerings.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Maas, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Maas, Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Thomsen, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ryd.

EAST TEXAS TOWN AGOG OVER HEARING ON KNOX MURDER

Widow Is Charged With Having
Caused Death of Rich Lumberman's Husband

HEMPHILL, Tex.—With the reopening here Thursday of the preliminary hearing of Mrs. Lillian Knox, charged by complaint with the murder of her husband, Hiram Knox, wealthy east Texas lumberman, on November 26, last, both the defense and the prosecution are expected to play their trump cards.

Crowds have gathered at this little east Texas saw-mill town. The defendant and her husband were widely known throughout the entire section and the present case probably has caused more excitement than has been experienced in this part of the state in decades. Always the subject of comment because of her lavish expenditures, the unusual splendor in which she lived, and gifts to workers and the populace in general, Mrs. Knox's name is now literally on every tongue in east Texas.

The testimony of T. C. Carson, secretary to Mrs. Knox, was probably the most important of any taken Wednesday. Carson admitted having bought a vial of a powerful sleeping potion at the request of Mrs. Knox. He also testified to calling at the Hemphill express office for a package containing a black dress sent to Mrs. Knox on the day the body was found.

Mrs. Katherine O'Keefe, express agent, testified to asking Carson to describe the package. She testified that he remarked: "It is a black dress for the occasion."

Opposing counsel started a legal tilt at this juncture. Judge King, chief counsel for the defense, with emphasis declaring: "This woman has been tried all over east Texas by hearsay evidence, but the time has arrived when gossip ceases and nothing but cold-blooded truth is wanted."

TURKEY ISSUES CALL TO ARMS IN LIBERATED REGIONS

LONDON.—The Turkish government has issued a decree calling to the colors all able-bodied men in the liberated regions, according to an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Constantinople.

GOPHER FARMERS PLAN LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM

ST. PAUL, Minn.—Disposal of crop surpluses through government aid, relief for agriculture by temporary price stabilization and opposition to a ship subsidy "in every form and fashion" are among the program plans of the Minnesota farm bureau federation's legislative program for 1923, adopted by delegates to the fourth annual state convention here Thursday night.

STOCK MARKET CLOSE

Bidding up of Consolidated Gas, Continental Can and Willys Overland preferred from one to three points, was followed by a heavy selling movement which became known that the report conference had been broken off without an agreement having been reached.

Baldwin dropped four points below Wednesday night's close and United States Steel, American Can and a number of other active issues needed only three points from earlier high levels. The close was weak, sales 1,200,000 shares.

Alfred Chemical and Dye 78
Allis-Chalmers 48 1/2
American Beet Sugar 29
American Can 75 1/2
American Car and Foundry 153
American Hide and Leather pfd. 57
American International Corp. 26
American Locomotive 127
American Smelting and Refining 56 1/2
American Sugar 70 3/4
American Tobacco, bid 28 1/2
American Tobacco 153
American Woolen 30 1/2
Anaconda Copper 161 1/2
Armstrong 107 1/2
Atlantic Gulf and W. Indies 22 1/2
Baldwin Locomotive 133
Baltimore and Ohio 42 1/2
Bethlehem Steel "B" 63 1/2
Canadian Pacific 142 1/2
Central Leather 25 1/2
Chrysler Motors 107 1/2
Chesapeake and Ohio 71 1/2
Chicago, Mil. and St. Paul 22 1/2
Chicago R. I. and Pac. 32 1/2
Chicago Copper 27 1/2
Colorado Fuel and Iron 27 1/2
Coca-Cola 125 1/2
Crescent Steel 11
Erie 11
Famous Players-Lasky 91
General Asphalt 17 1/2
General Electric 147 1/2
General Motors 147 1/2
Goodyear 24
Great Northern pfd 115
Hillman 115
Illinois Central 115
Inspiration Copper 25 1/2
International Harvester 89 1/2
Int. Merc. Marine pfd 52 1/2
International Paper 52 1/2
Inventive Oil 15 1/2
Kelly-Springfield Tire 40 1/2
Kendall 107 1/2
Louisville and Nashville 125
Mexican Petroleum 27 1/2
Miami Copper 27 1/2
Middle States Oil 115
Midvale Steel 28 1/2
Missouri Pacific 15 1/2
New York Central 34 1/2
New York R. I. and Hartford 27 1/2
Norfolk and Western 110 1/2
Northern Pacific 24 1/2
Oklahoma Prod. and Ref. 17 1/2
Pan American Petroleum 88 1/2
Pennsylvania 46 1/2
People's Gas 20 1/2
Pittsburgh 20 1/2
Ray Consolidated Copper 14 1/2
Reading 70 1/2
Rock Island 107 1/2
Royal Dutch, N. Y. 61
Sears Roebuck 87 1/2
Shenandoah Copper 27 1/2
Southern Pacific 88 1/2
Southern Railway 25
Standard Oil of N. Y. 41 1/2
Standard Oil Corporation 41 1/2
Tennessee Copper 113
Texas Co. 43 1/2
Union Pacific 33 1/2
Tobacco Products 33 1/2
Transcontinental Oil 12 1/2
Union Pacific Stores 76 1/2
U. S. Ind. Alcohol 66 1/2
United States Rubber 55 1/2
Utah Steel 10 1/2
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SENATE COMMITTEE TO REPORT CAPPER FARM CREDIT BILL

Proceed With Consideration of
Lenroot Bill; Clears up
Situation

WASHINGTON.—A partial program of farm credits legislation was agreed on Thursday by the senate banking committee which decided to report the Capper bill substantially as drawn and then proceed with consideration of the Lenroot-Anderson bill in addition.

The committee's action clarifies the farm credits program by insuring that it will include two bills instead of a committee composite measure. Chairman McLean of the banking committee does not plan to call up either bill in the senate until next week when both are to be ready.

The committee vote on the bill of Senator Capper, republican, Kansas, chairman of the senate blue, was unanimous, but there was said to be some disagreement on features of the Lenroot-Anderson measure. The committee inserted in the Capper bill which was approved recently by Secretary Mellon of the treasury department in preference to the Lenroot-Anderson proposal, a provision extending the war finance corporation until March 31, 1924. This has been urged by agricultural organizations.

Government aid in furnishing farm credits is contained in the Lenroot-Anderson bill, which has the endorsement of Secretary Wallace of the department of agriculture, and other government officials. It would provide for federal financing of individual loan departments under the existing land bank system.

SONGS AND DANCES PLEASE ON RIVOLI VAUDEVILLE BILL

Four entertaining acts are on the Rivoli vaudeville bill which opened Wednesday for the last half of the week. The Harrison Sisters, who appear in the opener, billed as "Harmony Queens" entertain with a number of songs in a pleasing manner, and a line of clever and snappy talk, and nonsense is the offering of Wilson and Smith. They also sing and turn a few dance steps.

"I'll sing it for you," said Jack Grey, and he did. His repertoire of songs included every type from the "blue" to "O Sole Mio," immortalized by Caruso.

Ethel Gilmore and her troupe of dancers present a pleasing dancing act entitled "The Poetry of Motion." Difficult toe dancing numbers were executed with grace and skill by Miss Gilmore and her dancing companion. They were assisted in their specialty offerings by four comely and graceful girls.

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CALEDONIA BOY IS SENSELESS 12 HOURS; KNOCKED OFF SLED

CALEDONIA.—When thrown from his sled as it struck a rut in the road, Arthur Fishburn, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fishburn, of this place, was rendered unconscious by the subsequent fall, not regaining consciousness until Monday morning, the fall happening Sunday afternoon.

FIVE M. E. CHURCHES IN WISCONSIN HAVE MEMBERSHIP OF 1,000

MADISON, Wis.—Five Methodist Episcopal churches in Wisconsin are numbered among 52 in the state of Illinois, Iowa, Wisconsin, Minnesota and South Dakota, with a membership of 1,000 or over. They are Kenosha with 1,575; Division street, Fond du Lac, with 1,446; Relief with 1,012; Kingsley, Milwaukee with 1,007; and First Church, Madison, with 1,117.

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FRECKLES



NORA BUEST IS NAMED ON STATE LIBRARY BOARD

La Crosse Library Worker Appointed Member of Board by Governor Blaine

Three appointments to the Wisconsin public library certification board were made by Governor Blaine today. They are Miss Edna D. Orr, Water Town; Nora Buest, La Crosse, and Adolph R. Janesky, Racine. The positions carry no salary or expense money. Miss Buest is employed in the children's department of the La Crosse public library.

OPEN HEARING ON WIN- NESHEK DRAINAGE PLAN

(Continued from page one)

land were drained, because there would be a more constant water level. Barber's Statement

"The Wisconsin conservation commission is opposed to draining lands that are valuable and an asset to the people as fishing, hunting and trapping grounds. Wisconsin is now known as 'The playground of the middle west,' but if such projects continue, it will not be long until fishing and hunting grounds are limited. There is not at this time enough of a demand for farming land to make it worth while to use such land as the Winneshiek bottoms for farm land."

"Other counties," continued Mr. Barber, "have had bad experiences with drainage projects, and the commission strenuously objects to all such projects until the population of the country increases to such an extent that more land is needed."

Mr. Barber further stated that if such projects are allowed on the upper river it will not be long until the river is nothing more than a big sewer for the cities along its banks. He offered to help the drainage company to find purchasers for the land if it would be used as a fur farm.

A. C. Halbert, engineer for the railroad commission, continued the hearing in the afternoon. Judge Long having returned to Madison. J. Scott Earl, representing the Burlington Railroad company, which is also opposed to the project, and several land owners and fishermen of the district, opened the session with a cross-examination of Mr. Young, project engineer.

Sportsmen Object to Project
The next witness on the stand was Louis C. Hirschheimer of La Crosse, president of the La Crosse County Rod and Gun club. Mr. Hirschheimer read telegrams addressed to him from the department of agriculture and from the department of the interior to show that both of these departments are opposed to the project. The telegram from the biological survey bureau of the department of agriculture stated that the bottoms were a natural breeding place for wild fowl and fur bearing animals, and as such are very valuable.

From the bureau of fisheries, department of the interior, came a wire saying that, if the draining of the bottoms were allowed, the reservoirs of the fisheries bureau in the district would be greatly curtailed. Mr. Hirschheimer declared that, from a standpoint of public welfare, the land will raise more and be of more benefit to the public if left as it is, than as a drainage project. He said, "It is a natural breeding place for wild life, and as a conservationist, I desire to see it remain as it is."

"Protect Claims"
D. W. MacWille, representing the National Association of Pearl Button Manufacturers, pointed out that the

button industry is based upon the clam, and the clam cannot be propagated without fish. On this fact, he said, the association which he represented asked protection for the breeding places of clams. Mr. MacWille further stated that when the present closed season on clams is raised, the Winneshiek bottoms will produce \$125,000 to \$175,000 worth of clam shells alone in a single year.

C. P. Cutler of the bureau of fisheries, said that his department was opposed, not to the draining of the Winneshiek bottoms, alone, but to all drainage projects on the upper river, because the upper river is considered the greatest natural fish hatchery in the country, and best of all, he said, is the Winneshiek country. He, too, pointed out that soon, if all the swamp land on the upper river is to be drained, the river will be nothing but a big sewer and canal, in which there will be no fish or other form of wild life.

The last of the local delegation to take the stand was Harry Canfield, mussel propagation expert for the bureau of fisheries. He emphasized the point that to drain the Winneshiek bottoms would be to destroy one of the greatest breeding grounds of fresh water clams in the country.

War Department's Permit
The representatives of the project company, in which Julius Boeckh of Lansing, Iowa, is most interested, based their defense of the project on the fact that they have the war department's official permit to do the work, and on the swamp act of 1850, by which the federal government decided the swamp land to the state, with the understanding that it be reclaimed.

With several more witnesses to be called on the side of the opposition, it was expected that the hearing would occupy the greater part of Thursday. The La Crosse delegation returned Wednesday evening. The remaining witnesses represent the Burlington road, the neighboring land owners and residents of Perryville.

Burlington Opposed
The Burlington road is opposed to the project because it would endanger its right of way. The officials point to the damage done to their right of way near Trempealeau a few years ago when during spring floods, the levee of drained land in that district gave way, releasing the water upon the railroad property, with the result that several thousand yards of right of way were destroyed.

Perryville residents are much opposed to the project because it goes through, they will be completely cut off from communication with the main channel of the river by any water route.

LIONS CLUB WILL
RESUME NOONDAY
MEETINGS JAN. 8

The Lions club will resume its weekly noonday meetings on Jan. 8. The meetings are held at the Standard hotel. The speaker for the next meeting will be announced later by the club officials.

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A LESSON IN PHYSIOLOGY



FORMER MAYOR OF MER ROUGE FREE TO RETURN SOUTH

Dr. McKoin Returns Voluntarily in Effort to Prove Innocence of Connection With Klan

BALTIMORE, Md.—Dr. B. M. McKoin, who was released from a murder charge here yesterday in order that he may return to Louisiana a free man, is expected to arrive in that state some time Friday. Before leaving last night, Dr. McKoin said he expected to go direct to Monroe to join his wife and children.

The physician is accompanied by Special Deputy Calhoun and Chief Detective Glynn, who arrived here Sunday with affidavits and a requisition for the doctor's return. Gov. Ritchie refused to recognize the documents, however, as they were not filled out in proper form. After an exchange of telegrams between Gov. Ritchie and Governor Barker of Louisiana, it was agreed to release Dr. McKoin as he had expressed willingness to return to that state voluntarily in an effort to prove his innocence of any connection with the Morehouse parish kidnappings and murders.

W. P. HARDING NOT A CANDIDATE FOR RESERVE GOVERNOR

WASHINGTON.—The nomination of W. P. G. Harding has been eliminated from those now under consideration for appointment to the governorship of the federal reserve board it was said Thursday by a high official of the treasury. It was said that Mr. Harding, a former board governor, would enter private business.

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MOVIES

DEAN RETURNS AS CIGARETTE: Priscilla Dean, back on the screen after an absence of several months, made her long awaited appearance in "Under Two Flags" at the Rivoli theater last night to a highly appreciative audience. The most ardent "Cigarette" enthusiasts will find the beauty and thrill of the original story virtually intact, without a single foot of extraneous "padding."

Miss Dean never looked, nor acted, better in her long and successful career. Her interpretation of the role of Cigarette leaves nothing to be desired—she is splendid in her emotional portrayals, and magnificent in her series of fiery and tempestuous passion.

More than adequate support is vouchsafed Miss Dean by a capable supporting company. Particular credit is due James Kirkwood, Stuart Holmes, and John Davidson for their masterful characterizations of most difficult roles.

CASINO TODAY: Marion Davies star in Paramount Cosmopolitan production, is an enthusiastic advocate of setting up exercises for women.

The fair motion picture star doesn't bother about putting a record on the victrola and going on to music. She believes in the "singing" simplicity followed during the war days when long lines of olive drab drabbers, wearing their daily bread and butter to produce supple waists and straight shoulders.

Every morning she goes through a series of regular settings up exercises and can gain or lose pounds at will, during the filming of "When Knighthood Was in Flower" at Paramount Pictures in the Casino theater today, she lost ten pounds, because of the strenuous filming she is called upon to do. She guarantees her outfit as a wonderful weight reducer.

RIVIERA FRIDAY AND SATURDAY: Check poles made one fiasco, and now they're doing them again!

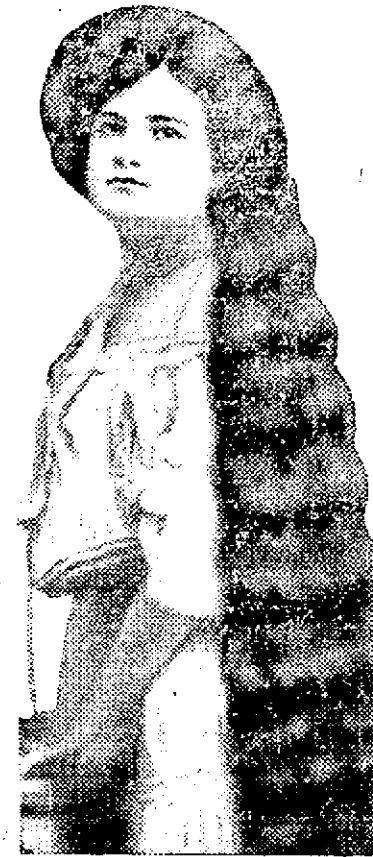
Betty Compson, coming from "Kick In," to "The Little Red Head" in "The Storm," is a real star. Her first role in "The Little Red Head" was a real success. She had a big part in a real role in "The Little Red Head" and followed it up with her portrayal of "Miss Jones" in "The Storm," which has long been rated one of the greatest box office attractions ever made.

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STRAND TODAY: Pretty girls plenty of them, are announced as a necessary feature of "Thirty Days," the new Wallace Reid Paramount comedy-drama which will be the feature at the Strand theater today.

Mr. Reid's attraction for women forms the motivating force of the comedy. It starts fires of jealousy in the heart of a member of the Italian Camorra and it forces Reid to immerse himself in jail voluntarily to escape the murderous vengeance of this expert with the stiletto.

He's a de luxe prisoner indeed, is Reid, but he loses his relish for the de luxe when he finds that the murderous Polenta is confined in the same prison! It's said to be a particularly rollicking comedy, which affords excellent opportunities to amuse and entertain.

Blacksnakes frequently climb to the top of tall trees and rafters of buildings.

Hahdshake in Politics: Radcliffe college is teaching women politics and the first lesson should be shaking hands.—Fond du Lac Reporter.

An Angry Girl's Mistake: When one girl accuses another of being smart, it's a sure sign that she is angry.—Fond du Lac Reporter.

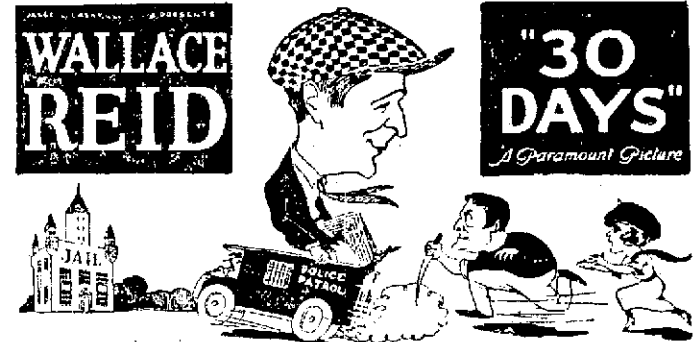
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By GEORGE McMANUS

ENTENTE RUPTURE AVOIDED ONLY BY ADJOURNING PARLEY

French and British Differences
at Paris Conference Appear
Irreconcilable

BREAK-UP AVOIDED TO KEEP
UNITY FOR DEAL WITH TURK

Diplomatic Circles Believe Even-
tual Collapse Inevitable

PARIS. — Only adjournment to Thursday is believed to have saved the allied reparations conference Wednesday from rupture which would mean the fracture of the entente between Great Britain and France. The adjournment was taken after Premier Poincaré of France had flatly denounced the British proposition in most of its details, and after Premier Bonar Law in a reply, conciliatory in tone but uncompromising in content, had stood by his guns.

Expect Break Soon

Diplomatic circles held to the belief that the conference would shortly break up, but that immediate rupture had been avoided because of the disastrous effect which a break in the entente just now might have on the negotiations at Lausanne with the Turks.

Premier Theunis and Foreign Minister Jasper and their associates in the Belgian delegation took a more cheerful view of the day's events, because Mr. Bonar Law abandoned that part of the British plan setting aside Belgium's priority. The Belgian premier spoke in the conference with deep emotion, which is quite unusual in this business man.

Belgium Retains Sacrifice

"Under no circumstances will Belgium renounce the right which she won by her heroic stand during the war and by the allies' unanimous consent after the armistice," said M. Theunis.

All eyes were turned upon Mr. Bonar Law. Amid a dramatic silence the British premier arose and said in a matter of fact way, which contrasted sharply with the Belgian premier's impassioned tones: "Very well, we yield. But we were under the impression that Belgium was prepared to make concessions."

"Belgium has reached the limits of her concessions; perhaps Germany might be called upon to make some effort," M. Theunis replied, and for a moment the atmosphere of the conference was rather heavily charged. But Marquis Della Torretta relieved the tension by suggesting that tea be served.

"Privileged Position for Germany"

In presenting the French view to the conference, Premier Poincaré pointed out the extreme nature of the British project as regards its effect on the treaty of Versailles. It was tantamount to a total revision of the treaty, he declared, and the French government could not possibly accept any such proposition without the approval of the chamber of deputies, as the treaty had been ratified by parliament.

The British terms, he said, gave Germany an immensely privileged position as compared with France. Germany, as a result of the depreciation of the mark, had practically no internal debt, and if the reparations were reduced as proposed she would have practically no foreign debt as compared with that of France.

He expressed astonishment that the British had presented a project so completely unacceptable to France on all points.

M. Poincaré called attention to the points in the British plan that would take over the gold deposits of France and Italy, left in London as security for the war debts and cancel the Belgian priority on reparations. Even the preferred deliveries of coal to France, indemnifying her for the mines destroyed by the Germans, would cease under the plan, he said, unless restored through negotiations with Germany.

Americans Watch Parley

American officials in Paris are following the conference closely and are keeping in constant touch with the foreign office and other official sources. Some British observers regard the British plan as being partly American in character, and it is even hinted that the American government had, in a general way, an unofficial knowledge of its contents before it was presented. American officials in Paris say they knew nothing of it previously.

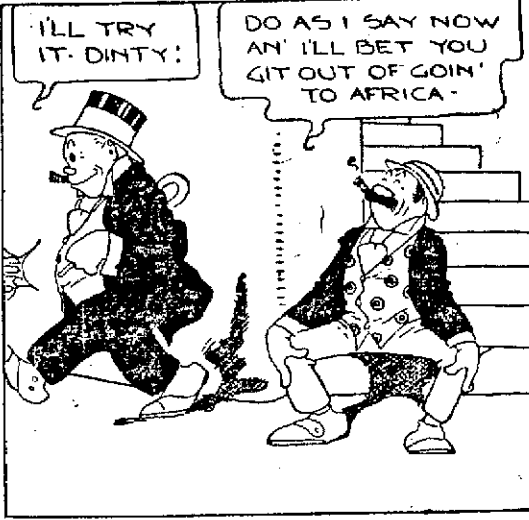
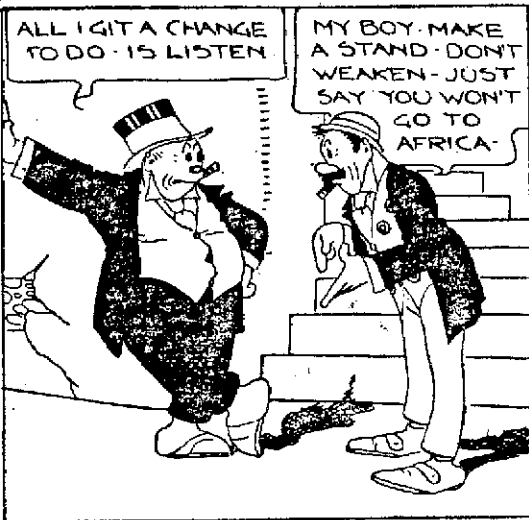
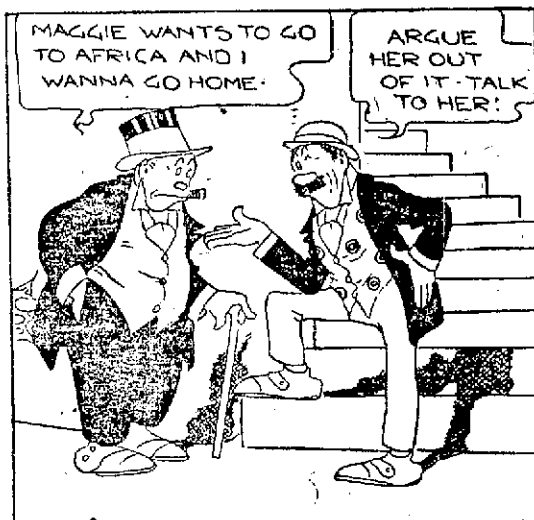
BLAINE NAMES BECKER

MADISON, Wis. — Governor J. J. Blaine appointed former Judge J. M. Becker of Monroe to be county judge of Green county.

CHILE CABINET QUILTS

SANTIAGO, Chile. — The Chilean cabinet headed by Premier Vicuña resigned.

BRINGING UP FATHER



SUGGEST GASOLINE TAX TO MEET COST OF MICHIGAN ROADS

Changes in State's Taxation System to be Asked of Legislature

LANSING, Mich. — Enactment of legislation to remodel the state's taxation system, cut down the cost of state government, develop the state as an agricultural center, tighten the "blue sky" laws and broaden women's rights will be asked, along with other proposed changes in the laws, of the Michigan legislature when it convenes in regular session in January.

Outstanding in the prospective legislation are the following proposals: To provide a gasoline tax to finance highway development and maintenance without a real property tax.

To make more compact the centralized state government which was inaugurated two years ago, by curtailing and combining departments.

To make the furnishing of poisonous liquor punishable as manslaughter.

To tighten the motor vehicle laws, by prescribing more specifically the lighting equipment on automobiles, and increasing the penalties for speeding and reckless driving.

To delegate to the state agricultural college much of the work done by the state agricultural department.

To provide what amounts to a literacy test for voters.

To provide a bill of rights for women, which will put them on an equal standing with men in business and welfare matters.

To enact a land certification law which will enable non-residents of the state to invest in Michigan's undeveloped lands and to provide that the state encourage reforestation of idle lands not suited to agriculture by reducing taxes.

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legislative district, which comes before the legislature by virtue of the 1920 federal census, stands high in state interest. Other measures include provision for a Eugenics law; to devise ways and means of raising money to retire the \$61,550,000 state bonded indebtedness without adding to the tax burden on real property; and to make insanity grounds for divorce.

An attempt may be made to revive the income tax, which was initiated by the 1921 legislature and defeated by the voters.

KELLOGG DENIES HE
IS CONSIDERED AS
FALL'S SUCCESSOR

WASHINGTON.—Mention of the name of Senator Kellogg, republican, Minnesota, in connection with the vacancy in the cabinet to result March 4 from the resignation of Albert B. Fall as secretary of the interior, caused the Minnesota senator to issue a formal statement Wednesday saying that there was not the slightest foundation for such mention of his name.

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La Crosse Man Out to Succeed
James A. Stone in Federal
Berth at Milwaukee

MILWAUKEE, Wis. — W. E. Barber, La Crosse, chairman of the Wisconsin conservation commission, is a candidate for the office of federal prohibition director of Wisconsin, to succeed James A. Stone, resigned; it was learned here today.

Clark M. Perry, former assemblyman from Oshkosh, assistant under Stone and now acting head of the federal sponge squad for the state, also has filed application for the position.

Barber was appointed to the com-

mission by Gov. E. L. Philipp for the term ending in February, 1925. He was a publisher at La Crosse.

MEXICO EXHIBITS PRODUCTS
LEIPZIG.—Mexico was reported to be planning to establish permanent exhibits of her manufactures and agricultural and mineral products in the larger cities.

DENY WALES ENGAGEMENT
LONDON.—Rumors of the betrothal of the prince of Wales were denied.

BOOST POTASH OUTPUT
BERLIN.—The total production of potash in Germany increased in 1922

approximately 3,800,000 double centners, which equals 200 pounds each over 1921.

PLAN FOR G. A. R. MEET
MILWAUKEE, Wis. — Plans were made for the national convention of the Grand Army of the Republic

which will start in Milwaukee on September 2.

MINERS INJURED
TAYLORSVILLE, Ill. — Several miners were hurt when a cage dropped 200 feet to the bottom of the shaft of the Peabody mine.

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